

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 5, line 20 of the original specification with the following:

--FIG. 4 shows an exemplary embodiment of a vase which can be dispensed using the device shown in FIGS. 1 and 2. The vases are denoted overall by 12 and comprise a base 14 and a widening side wall 13. The base and the side wall are made from a paper-like material which is provided with a plastic lining 18 on the inner side in order to make the holder or vase watertight. On the outside, this vase can be printed in any desired way and may comprise a further layer of plastic. The printing is preferably carried out using a water-based ink. For environmental reasons, it is preferable to use layers based on polyethylene, by way of example. A particularly thin layer is required in order to make the holder watertight. However, it is also possible to use other sealing layers. In this context consideration is given in particular to biological polymers, such as biodegradable starch polymer. The paper-like material is preferably bleached without chlorine and obtained in an environmentally friendly way. It may be recycled material. The dimensions b, c and h as shown in FIG. 4 can be selected as a function of the flowers which are to be placed into the holder and possibly also the dispensing point.--